

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 3, 12, 13, and 15 are retained from the original application, but Claims 13 and 15 have been amended to produce new amended claims that are not multiply dependent in order to reduce official fees. Once examination on the merits has begun, the Applicants may elect to amend newly amended Claim 13 and 15 to make these claims multiply dependent or to add additional claims to this application to provide coverage similar to, broader than, or narrower than the present claims. Claims 1, 3, 12 and 13 have been amended to correct typographical errors.

During the prosecution of this application's parent application, the Examiner has rejected claim 1 as being unpatentable over "Mobile Code Security" (Rubin) in view of USP 6,076,166 (Moshfeghi). However, Rubin simply seems to be a general background description of mobile code security that includes a general discussion of the sandbox model. Moshfeghi describes the use of user profiles in relation to a dynamic web site, but in Moshfeghi's system the profiles are stored on the server side (see item 28, Figure 1).

Claim 1 is directed to how access may be controlled to user profiles that are stored on the client side. The solution adopted involves the use of an extended sandbox but such an application of a sandbox is not described in Rubin. As such, the combination of Rubin and Moshfeghi does not lead the invention as claimed broadly in claim 1.

USP 6,018,724 (Arent) is closer prior art than is Moshfeghi, and does describe the use of user profile files that are apparently stored in a client computer (see Column 7, lines 38-40 and Column 13, lines 2-5), and that access to such files needs to be under user control. Arent also talks about the use of "backend connections" (see Column 12, line 66). However, where is there any teaching in

Arent as to how the control referred to is implemented and, in particular, where is there any mention of the use of a sandbox, extended or otherwise? This fact and the fact that Rubin does apparently not discuss profile files or service-related applets that are downloadable from websites suggests that any viable combination of Rubin and Arent would not include "downloading said service through said second communication port so that it is received by said confined run time environment" as required by claim 1. Indeed, Arent seems to stress the importance of locally stored data. See Column 7, lines 38-40; Column 4, lines 42-50, and Column 1, lines 52-54, for example. It is submitted that a person skilled in the art would not be motivated to execute a downloaded service in view of this teaching.

Claims 4-11 and 14 have been canceled from this application since those claims are being pursued in this application's parent application. An IDS citing the art cited in the parent application is enclosed. The Applicants retain the right to present any of these claims in subsequent amendments to the present application or in subsequent divisional or continuation applications.

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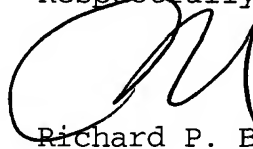
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